THIS IS A NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE ORDER AND NOT A REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS.

This contract action is for the acquisition of Services for which the Government intends to solicit and negotiate with only one source under the authority of Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 13.106-I(b). The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), Office of Acquisitions (OA) intends to award a single source purchase order to TwinStrand Bioscience, 3131 Elliott Avenue, Suite 750, Seattle, WA 98121, for the acquisition of the Twinstrand Duplex Sequencing kits.

The Twinstrand Duplex Sequencing kits are required to produce specialized DNA libraries, which are then used for the Duplex DNA sequencing method for measuring genomic mutation rates in the laboratory here at NIEHS Next Generation Sequencing Core.

The applicable North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is 325413 - In-Vitro Diagnostic Substance Manufacturing" and a size standard of 1250 employees.

NIEHS will solicit and negotiate directly with TwinStrand Bioscience and no solicitation will be issued. Interested parties may identify their interest and capability. Award is subject to approval of the Sole Source Justification. This notice of intent is not a request for competitive proposals or quotations; however, an interested party may submit a statement of capabilities if they believe they can meet the above requirement. The statement of capabilities must be submitted in writing and contain sufficient detail to allow the Government to determine if the party can provide the requirement. A determination by the Government not to compete this proposed action based upon responses to this notice is solely with the discretion of the Government. All responses must be received within (3) three days from the date of publication of this synopsis. Information received will normally be considered for the purpose of determining whether to conduct a competitive procurement. If no affirmative responses are received within (3) three days of this notice, an award will be made to TwinStrand Bioscience. This procurement is to be processed using Simplified Acquisition Procedures. There is no solicitation package available. No faxed documents will be accepted. For any questions regarding this announcement, please contact Tanya Redfearn via email shields3@niehs.nih.gov.